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Weekend ramp and lane closures on westbound I-80 in Joliet

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that repairs and pavement patching on westbound Interstate 80, in Joliet, will require ramp and lane closures beginning, weather permitting, tomorrow, Friday, Oct. 15. Major travel delays are anticipated, alternative routes are encouraged.

Starting at 10 p.m. tomorrow, lane closures will take place on westbound I-80, between Rowell and Wheeler avenues. At the same time, the westbound I-80 ramp to Chicago Street (U.S. 52/Illinois 53) and the entrance ramp from Richards Street to westbound I-80 will close.

A detour will direct traffic to continue west on I-80, exiting Larkin Avenue (Illinois 7), then back onto the expressway (eastbound) to connect to Chicago Street. Richard Street motorists will detour via Fourth Avenue and Chicago Street to access westbound I-80.

At least one westbound lane will remain open at all times and eastbound I-80 will not be impacted. All lanes and ramps will reopen by 5 a.m. Monday, Oct. 18.

Additional weekend lane closures will be scheduled on eastbound and westbound I-80, including various ramp closures with detours in the coming weekends to complete the work.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

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